

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Michael Bartsch et al.

Application No.: 10/551,139

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For: SYSTEM SUITABLE FOR THE
HYDROCYANATION OF OLEFINICALLY
UNSATURATED COMPOUNDS

Examiner: R. T. Shiao

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2007, Applicants hereby elects, with traverse, Group I claims 1-7 and 19-20, drawn to products (i.e., a system or catalyst) wherein the complexes Ni(0) represents compounds of Formula (I) thereof. Applicants elect, with traverse, for search purposes only, the following species, Example 4 on page 15 of the specification for examination. Claims 1-7 and 19-20 read on the elected species.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction of the above-identified application as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-7 and 19-20, in part, drawn to products (i.e., a system or catalyst), wherein the complexes Ni(0) (i.e., zero-valent nickel complex) represents compounds of formula (I) thereof. If this group is elected, applicants are requested to elect a single species for the search purpose.